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PRISIÓN VILTRUMITA,
LOCALIZACIÓN EXACTA
DESCONOCIDA

EL CONCEJO DECLARA QUE BAJO LA
ORDEN DE QUE UN VILTRUMITA SEA
EJECUTADO... DEBE ESTAR
COMPLETAMENTE ENTERO E
INTACTO, ÚTIL PARA STAND Y
ENFRENTAR EL FINAL DE SU VIDA EN
SU MÁXIMA FUERZA.

PERO ELLOS NO
MENCIONARON
NADA DE
CONTUSIONES.

REGRÉSENLO
A SU CELDA.

SÍ, OFICIAL
KREGG,
INMEDIATAMENTE.

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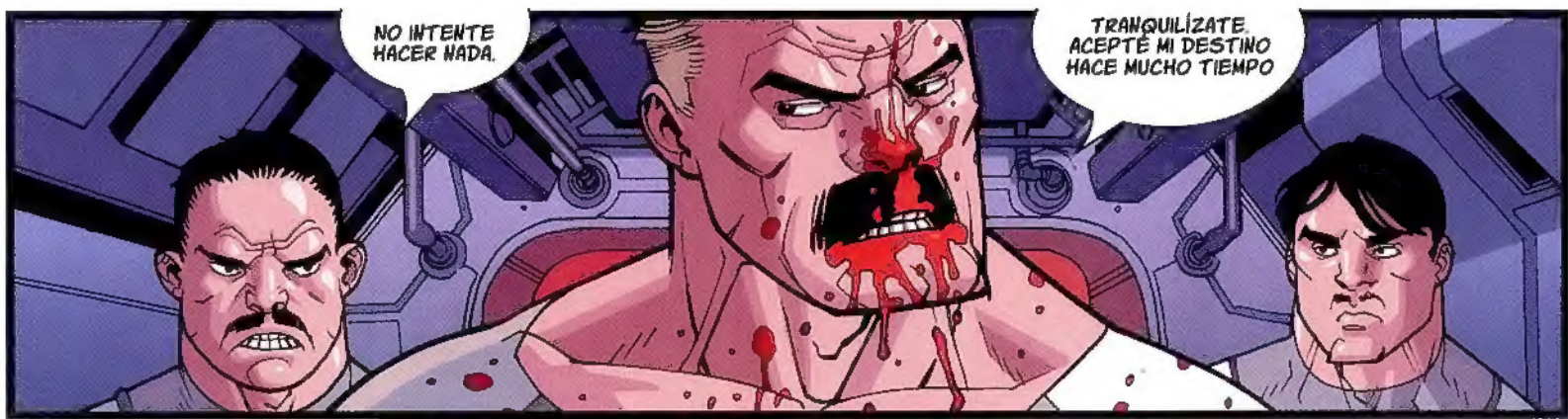
SEÑOR, POR FAVOR. MI
PADRE SOLÍA CONTAR
HISTORIAS DE SUS
AVENTURAS ANTES DE MI
ENLISTAMIENTO.

CUANDO ESCUCHÉ
QUE USTED SE
VOLVIÓ UN
BANDIDO... ME
REHUSÉ A
CREENLO. ESTO YA
ES SUFICIENTE-
MENTE DIFÍCIL, NO
ME HAGA
LASTIMARLO.

SÓLO DESEO
PONERME DE PIE

CAMINARÉ
FUERA DE
AQUÍ. BAJO MI
PROPIA
CUENTA.

ESPERA.





¡ESTO ES INACEPTABLE!
MULTI-PAUL ERA UN AGENTE
DIRECTO DE MI
ORGANIZACIÓN. EL HECHO DE
QUE ÉL SEA ENCARCELADO
AQUÍ EN SUELO AMERICANO
ES UNA PARODIA.

¡UN INSULTO!

SU PREDECESOR SABÍA LO
QUE SIGNIFICABA SER UN
MIEMBRO DE LA ORDEN. HAY
CIERTAS COSAS QUE
SENCILLAMENTE NO ESTÁN
HECHAS.



UN MIEMBRO NO PUEDE
PERMITIR A CUALQUIERA
QUE ESTÉ BAJO LA
PROTECCIÓN DE OTRO
MIEMBRO, SER
CUSTODIADO POR SU
GOBIERNO.

ESAS SON
LAS
REGLAS.

¿ENTIENDE LAS
REGLAS,
VERDAD--



--TITAN?

SI, POR SUPUESTO.
¿SERIA DE ALGUN BIEN EN
ESTO SI NO LO HICIERA?

SU HOMBRE SERA RECU-
PERADO POR USTED. ME
PARECE RECORDAR EN ESTE
INSTANTE, HABERLE DICHO
ESO A TRAVES DE UN
INTERMEDIARIO. PERO APRECIO
LA VISITA.

ES BUENO VER A SUS
COLEGAS CARA A CARA
DE VEZ EN CUANDO.

TODO LO QUE PIDO
ES TIEMPO. NI
SIQUIERA ESTOY
SEGURO EN DONDE
ESTA SIENDO
RESGUARDADO
MULTI-PAUL. UNA VEZ
QUE DESCUBRA ESO,
EL SERA RECUPERADO
Y ENTREGADO A
USTED.

APRECIO TODO LO QUE
HA HECHO POR MI EN EL
PASADO, DURANTE EL
PERIODO TRANSICION,
DESPUES DE HABERME
HECHO CASO DE MACHINE
HEAD.

ESO SE HARÁ.
USTED TIENE MI
PALABRA.



MACHINE HEAD ERA UN
REVOLTOSO-- EL ERA UNA
VERGUENZA. ESTOY
CONTENTO DE VER QUE
ERES UN HOMBRE
RAZONABLE.

TODO LO QUE
PIDO ES QUE NO
ME TENGAN
ESPERANDO POR
MUCHO TIEMPO.



HARE LO
MEJOR
QUE
PUEDA.

ISOTOPE,
ASEGURATE DE
QUE EL SR. LIU
LLEGUE SALVO A
SU CASA.

SI,
SEÑOR.





MIENTRAS TANTO AL OTRO LADO DE LA CIUDAD



¡ESTO APESTA!

¿QUÉ? ¿AH?

¿CUÁL ES EL PROBLEMA, JAMES?



DESDE QUE ESCAPAMOS... CUANDO AQUEL VIEJO TORPE ATACÓ LA PRISIÓN CON ÉSOS MONSTRUOS GIGANTES... NUESTRAS VIDAS SE HAN PUESTO PEOR Y PEOR.

DIOS, MATT—YO, NO PUEDO AGUANTARLO MÁS.



HOMBRE, NO SÉ QUÉ DECIRTE. NO ESTOY EN DESACUERDO. PERO VOLVERNOS BUENOS FUE TU IDEA.

PODEMOS SALIR A ROBAR UN BANCO MAÑANA SI QUIERES. TETHER TYRANT Y MAGMANIAC—¡DE VUELTA EN ACCIÓN! SOLO DALA ORDEN.



NO, YO—YO NO SÉ... YO SÓLO

AGH.

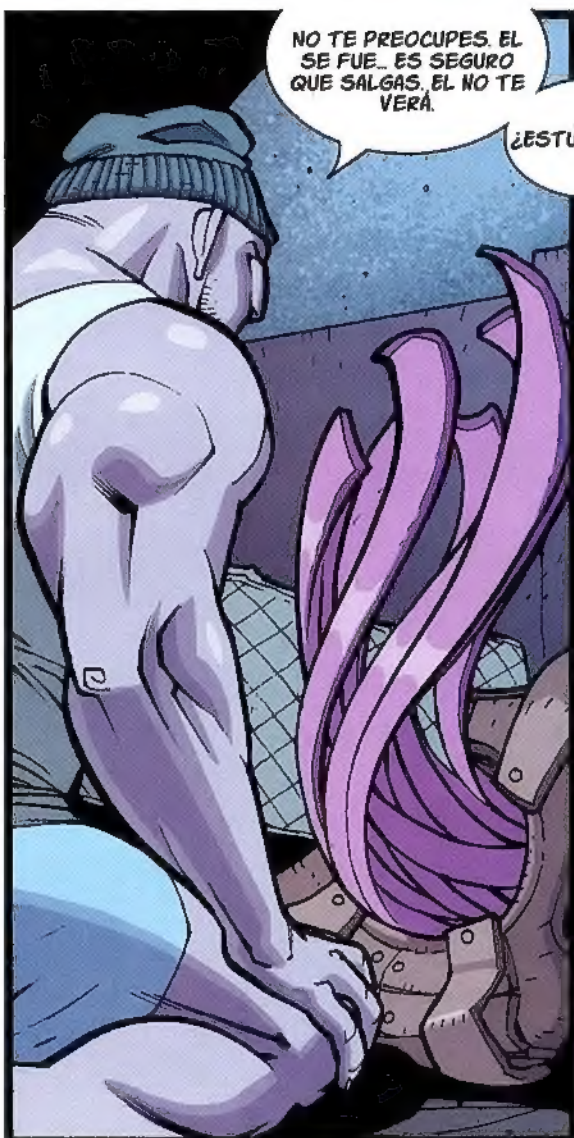


ESPERA— ¿ADÓNDE VAS? ¿POR QUÉ TE VAS?

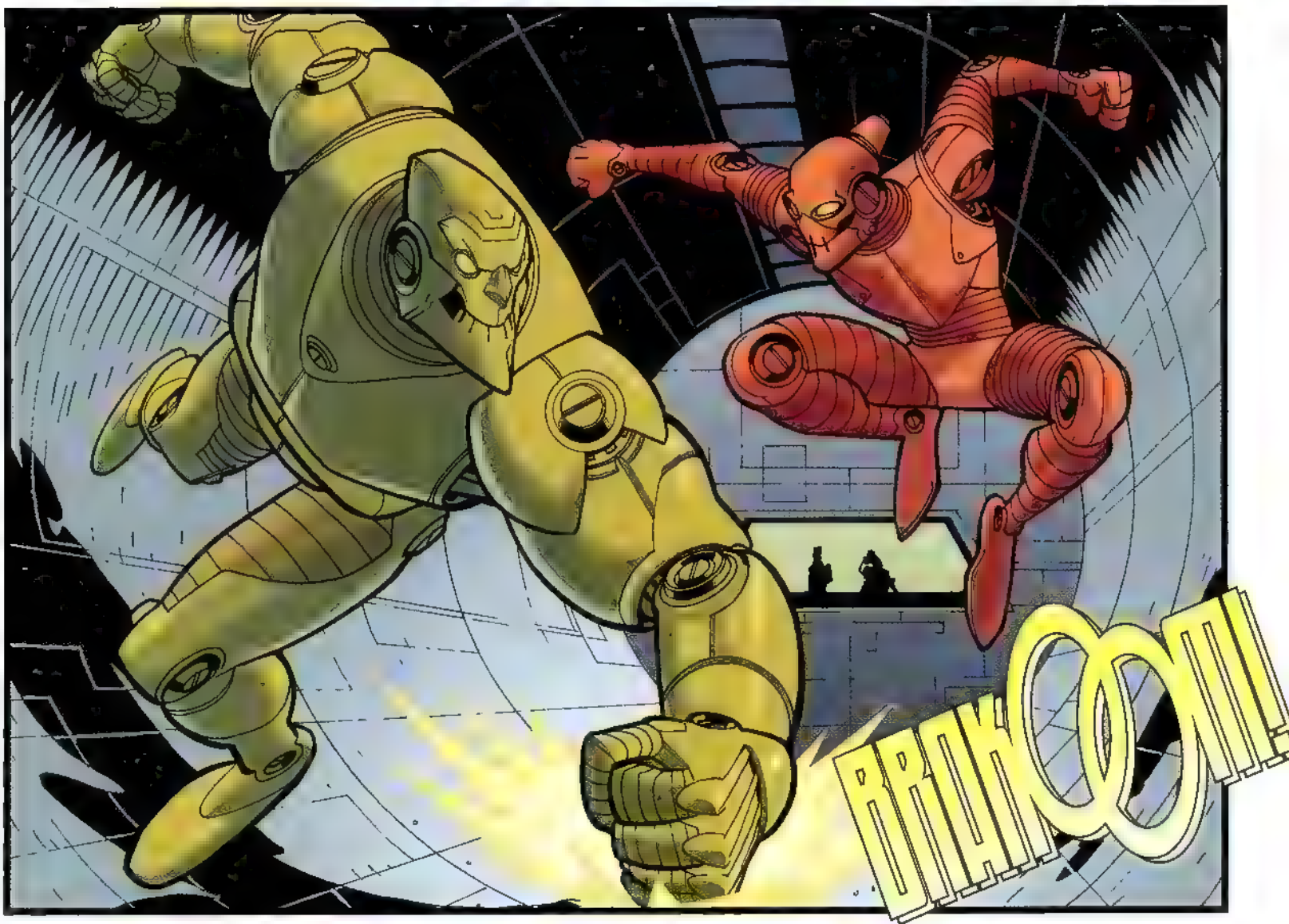
TRANQUILIZATE. SÓLO VOY AL ALMACÉN. NOS QUEDAMOS SIN COMIDA.

DE NUEVO.





UTAH, LA MONTAÑA ROCOSA BASE DE
LOS GUARDIANES DEL GLOBO



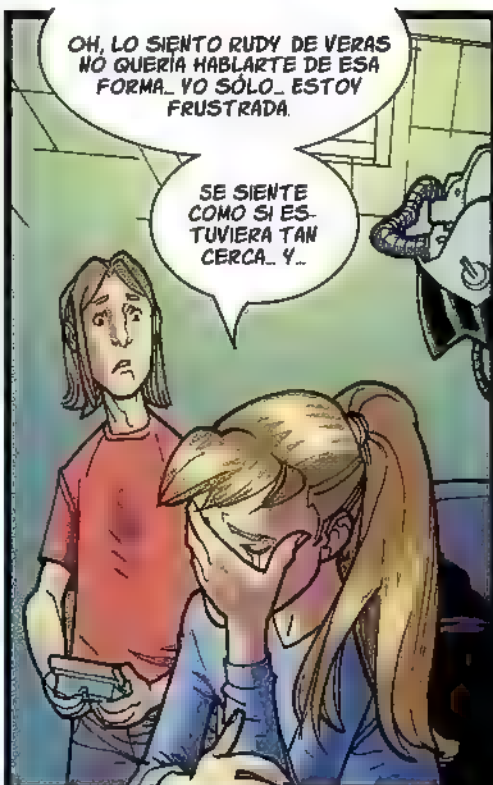
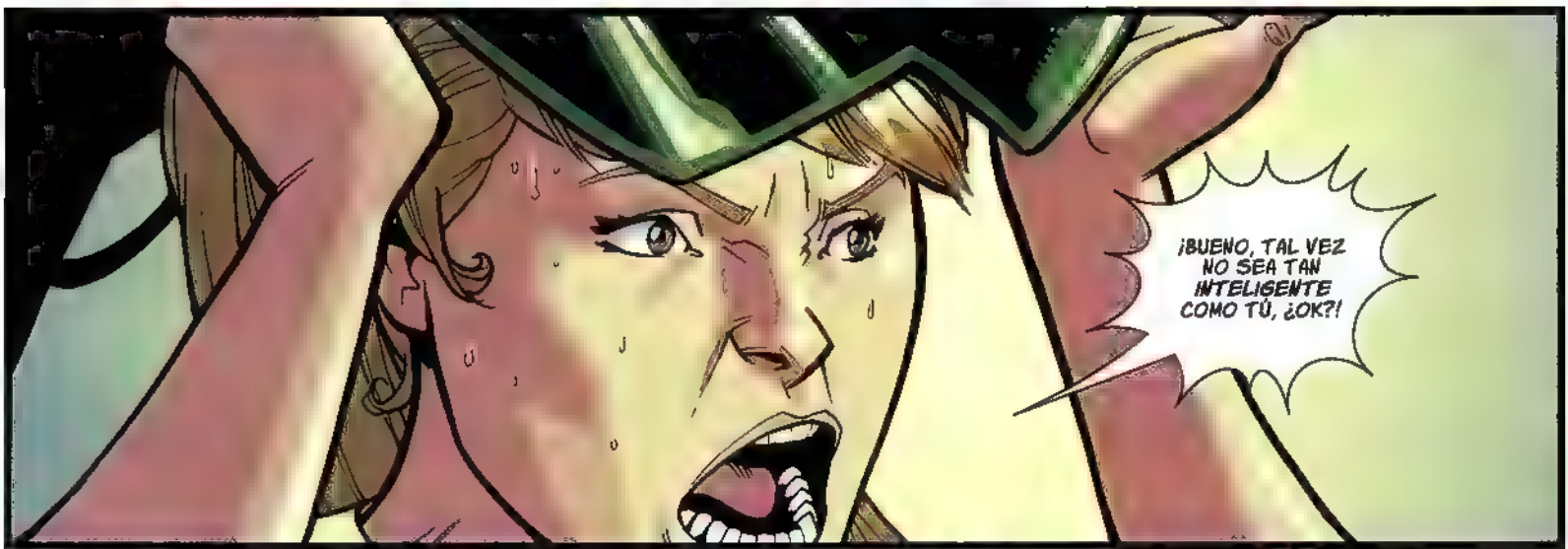
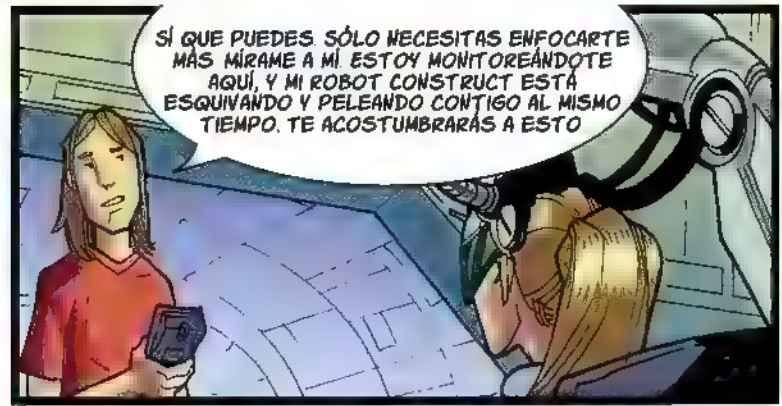
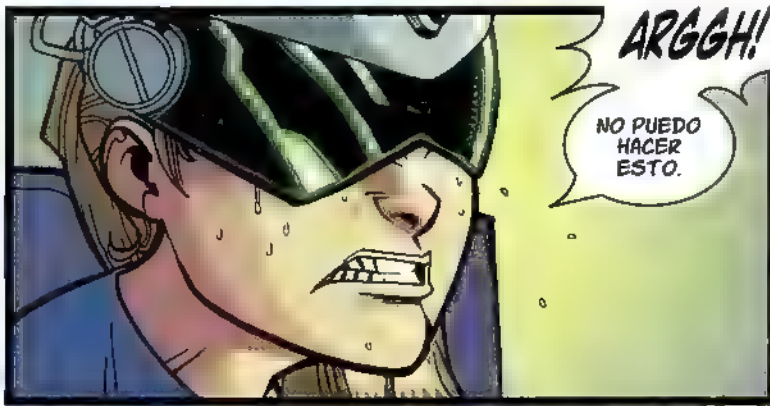
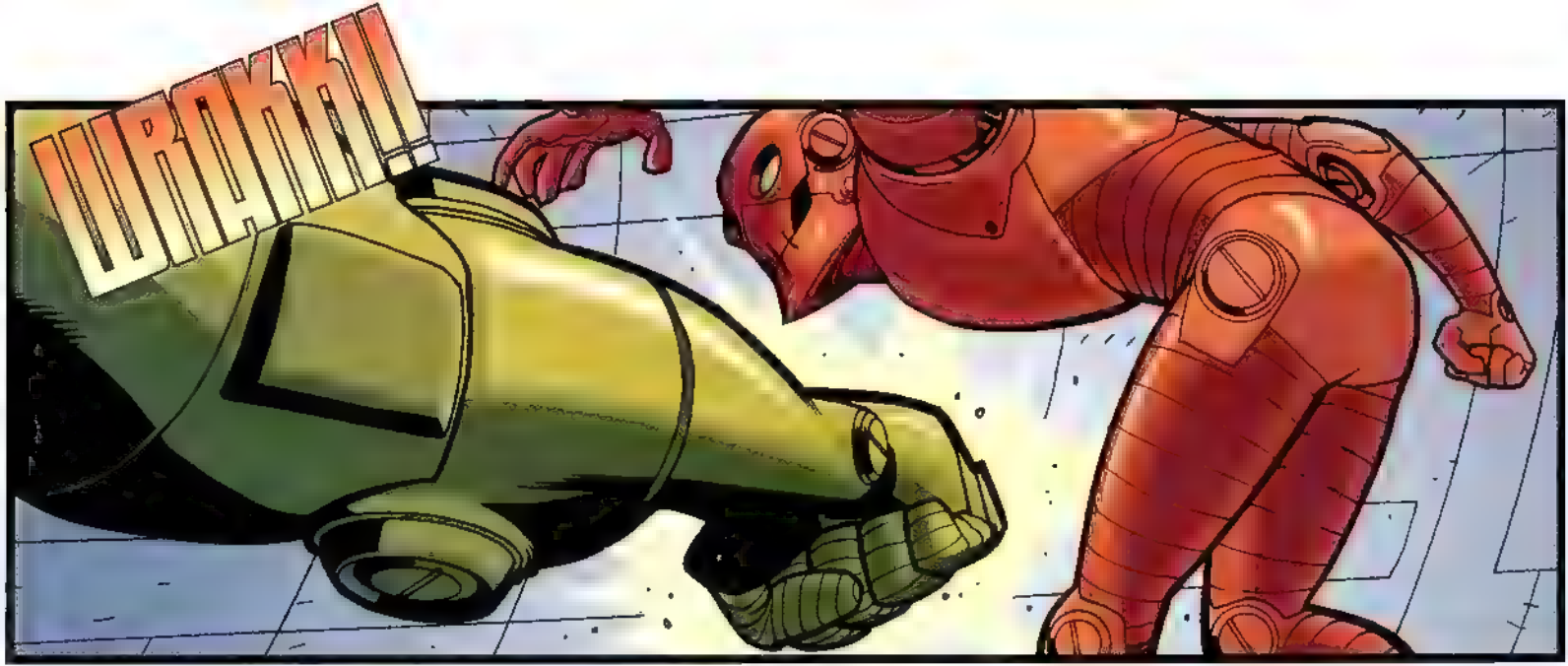
ESO ES TODO,
AMANDA SIGUE ASÍ
ESTUVISTE BASTANTE
CERCA ESTA VEZ
ESTAS IMPROVISANDO

NO TAN
RÁPIDO NO
LO ESTOY

SÓLO NECESITAS
CONCENTRARTE
MÁS— ENFOCA

TRATA DE BLOQUEAR
TODO LO QUE TU
CUERPO ESTÁ
EXPERIMENTANDO
FÍSICAMENTE Y
ENFOCALO EN EL
ROBOT, VÍVELO A
TRAVÉS DE ESO

NO LO SÉ... ES
TAN DIFÍCIL



MIENTRAS TANTO, EN EL
DETERIORADO
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TETHER TYRANT Y
MAGMANIAC

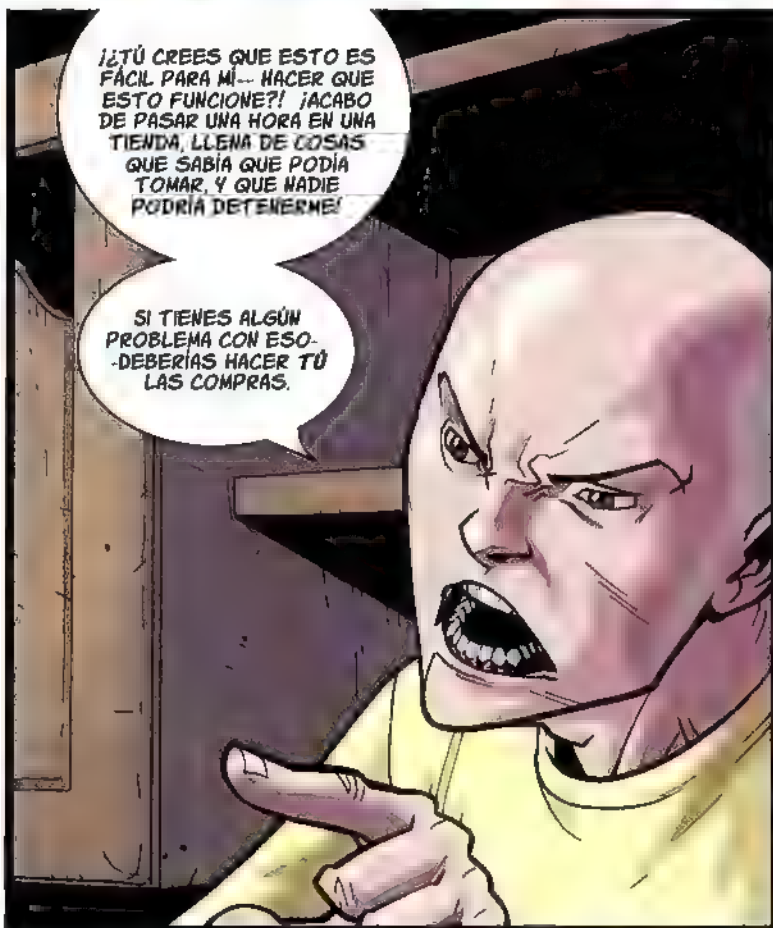
¿ESO ES TODO?
¡NO NOS VA A
DURAR MÁS QUE UN
DÍA!

EN CASO DE QUE NO
TE HAYAS DADO
CUENTA— ¡ESO ES
TODO LO QUE
PODEMOS COMPRAR!
¡NICE LO MEJOR QUE
PUDE!



¿TÚ CREES QUE ESTO ES
FÁCIL PARA MÍ— HACER QUE
ESTO FUNCIONE?! ¡ACABO
DE PASAR UNA HORA EN UNA
TIENDA, LLENA DE COSAS
QUE SABÍA QUE PODÍA
TOMAR, Y QUE NADIE
PODRÍA DETENERME!

SI TIENES ALGÚN
PROBLEMA CON ESO—
DEBERÍAS HACER TÚ
LAS COMPRAS.



NO ESTOY DICIÉNDOTE QUE
HICISTE NADA MALO, ESTOY
DICIENDO ESTO— VOLVERNOS
BUENOS, ACATAR LA LEY— NO
ESTÁ FUNCIONANDO PARA
NOSOTROS

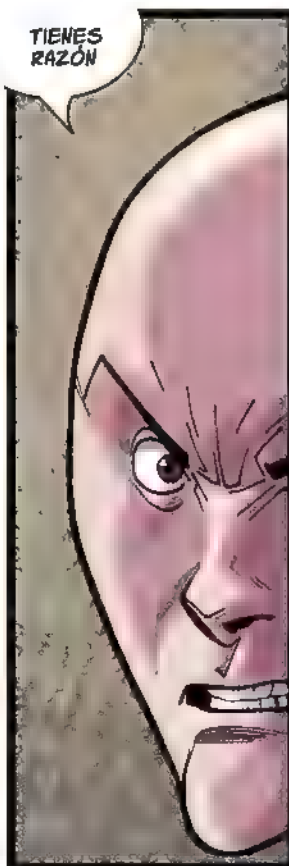
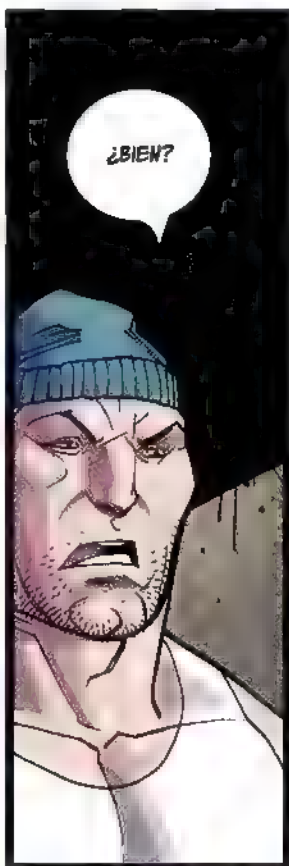
¡ES QUE NO! YO NO SÉ
NADA DE TI— PERO
ESTO ME ESTÁ
MATANDO ¡MIRA ESTE
LUGAR! ¡MIRA COMO ES
QUE VIVIMOS!

TRATAMOS... Y NO
FUNCIONÓ ¿QUE
TANTO SEGUIREMOS
FALLANDO ANTES DE
QUE PODAMOS
RENDIRNOS?!



TIENES
RAZÓN

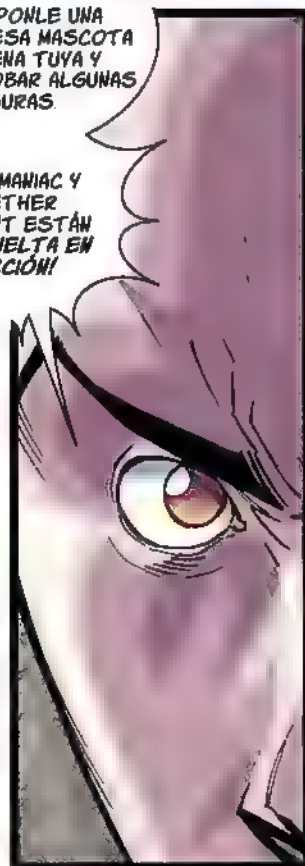
¿BIEN?



¿QUIERES
DECIR--?!

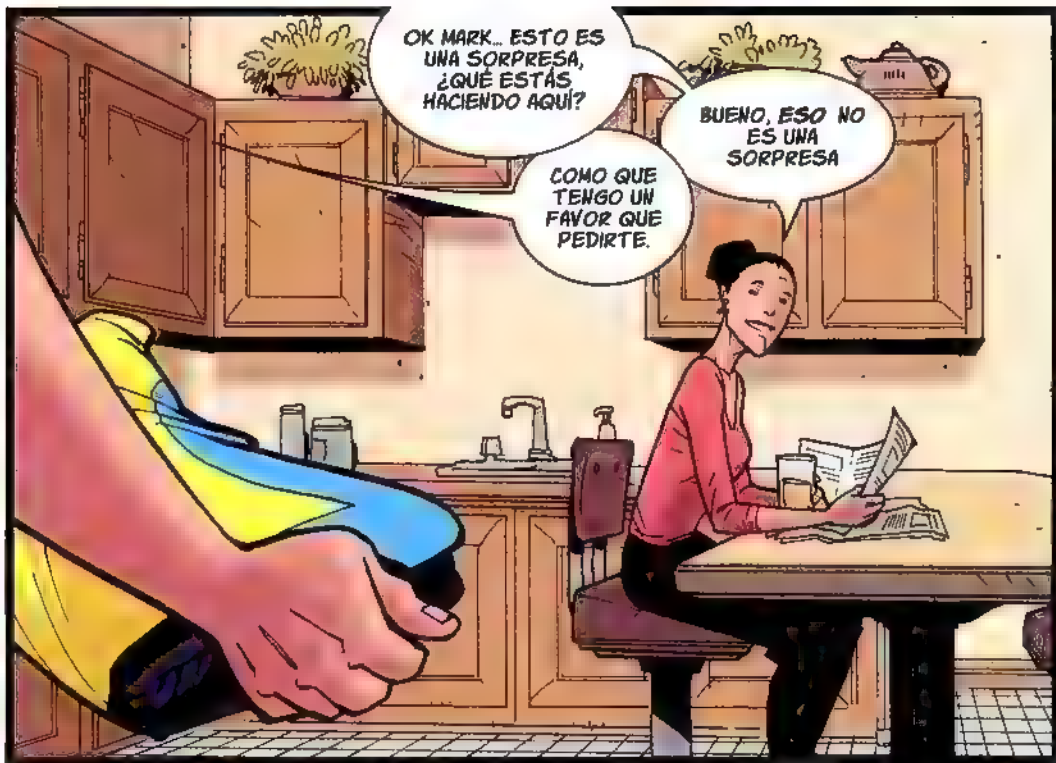
SI VE Y PONLE UNA
CORREA A ESA MASCOTA
ALIENÍGENA TUYA Y
VAMOS A ROBAR ALGUNAS
BASURAS.

¡MAGMANIAC Y
TETHER
TYRANT ESTÁN
DE VUELTA EN
ACCIÓN!





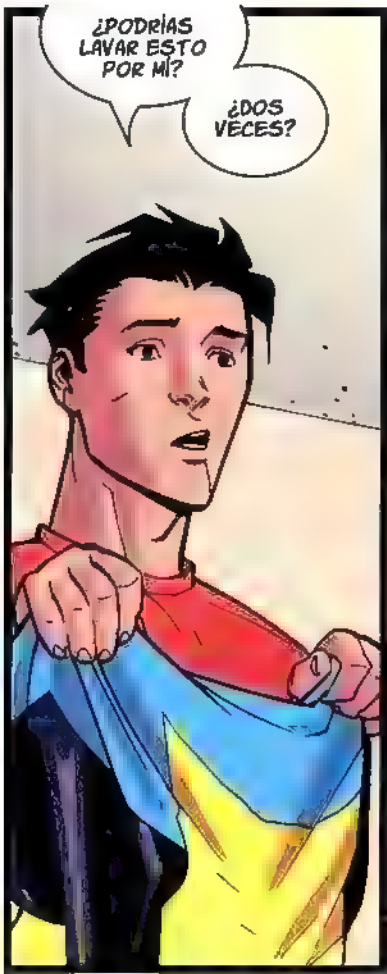
EN LA CASA DE LOS GRAYSON



OK MARK... ESTO ES UNA SORPRESA, ¿QUÉ ESTÁS HACIENDO AQUÍ?

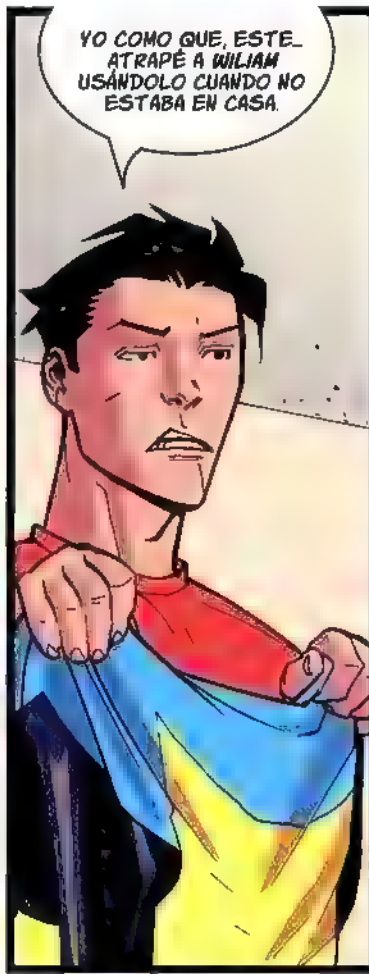
BUENO, ESO NO ES UNA SORPRESA

COMO QUE TENGO UN FAVOR QUE PEDIRTE.



¿PODRÍAS LAVAR ESTO POR MÍ?

¿DOS VECES?



YO COMO QUE, ESTE... ATRAPÉ A WILLIAM USÁNDOLO CUANDO NO ESTABA EN CASA.



OK, ENTIENDO ESTÁ BIEN



OH, HOLA OLIVER. PENSE QUE ESTARÍAS CON TU TUTOR.

ABRIL SE TOMÓ EL DÍA LIBRE ¿ESTARÁS AQUÍ UN POCO MÁS?

CREO QUE SÍ, TAL VEZ

¿PODRÍAS HABLARME MI PADRE? A MAMÁ DEBBIE NO LE GUSTA HABLAR ACERCA DE ÉL.

EH...

"TENGO UNA RECOPILACIÓN COMPLETA DE TODAS LAS COSAS QUE HE ATESTIGUADO Y HE EXPERIMENTADO DESDE EL DÍA EN QUE NACÍ"

"ALGO QUE HEREDÉ POR PARTE DE MI MADRE"

"RECUERDO HABER VIVIDO EN MI PLANETA, CON MI MADRE Y NUESTRO PADRE RECUERDO EL HOMBRE QUE ÉL ERA PARA TODOS A SU ALREDEDOR, PARA MI MADRE, PARA MÍ"

¿OK?

"RECUERDO EL HOMBRE QUE ERA MI PADRE"

"ÉL ERA CONSIDERADO, AFECTUOSO, RECUERDO TU INTERACCIÓN CON ÉL CUANDO LLEGASTE POR PRIMERA VEZ"

"NO TENGO RAZONES PARA TEMER AL HOMBRE"

"Y ESCUCHAS LAS COSAS QUE AQUÍ LA GENTE DICE DE ÉL HE LEÍDO INNUMERABLES REPORTES DE SU TRAICIÓN Y DEL CONFLICTO CONTIGO"

"INCLUSO AHORA, LA SIMPLE MENCIÓN DE SU NOMBRE, NOTABLEMENTE, TE HA HECHO SENTIR INCOMODO"

"LO QUE HE DESCUBIERTO EN MI ESTUDIO DE LA MATERIA ES, LO QUE PARECE SER, DOS PERSONAS COMPLETAMENTE SEPARADAS EN UNA RECUERDO A TI A MÍ COMO NIÑOS"

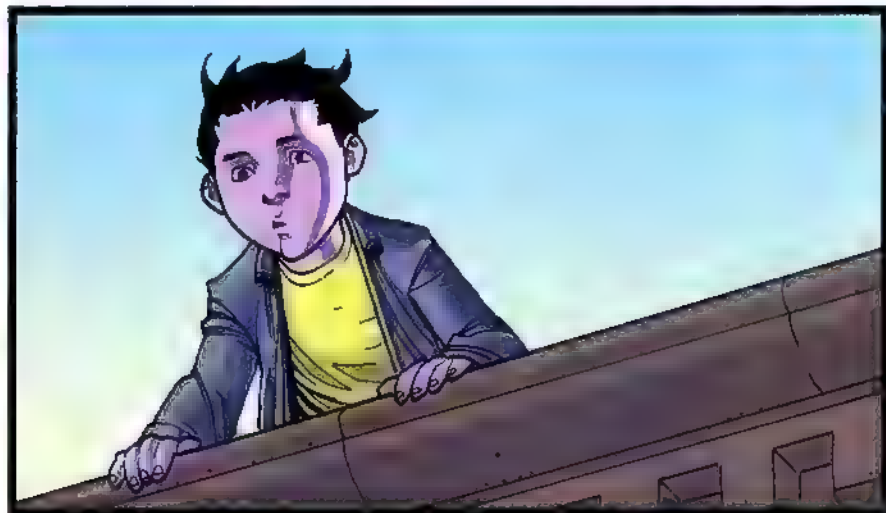
"LA LÓGICA DICTA QUE UNA DEBÍO SER UN ACTO, LA OTRA SU VERDADERA NATURALEZA"

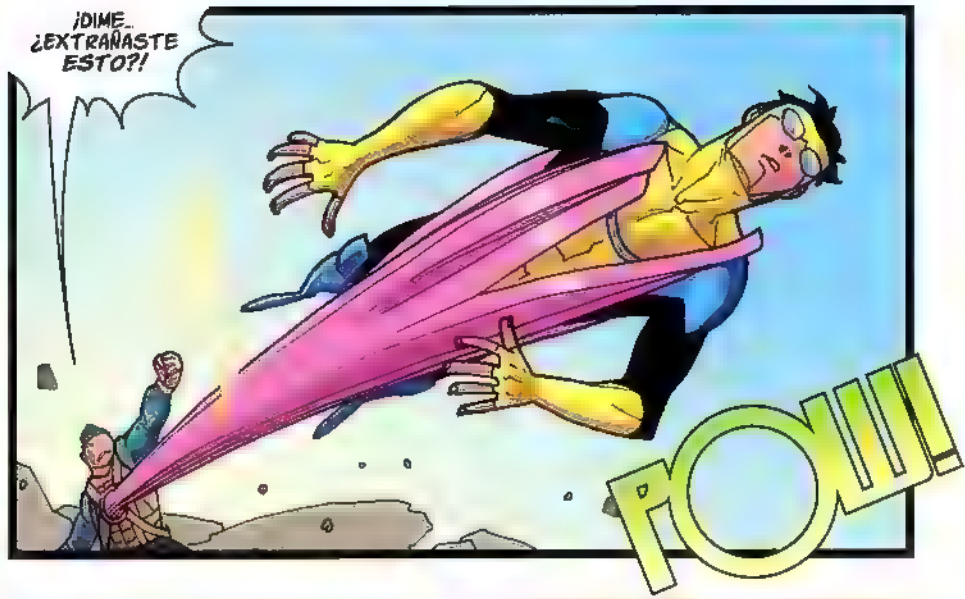
"¿CUÁL CREES QUE ES LA VERDADERA VERSIÓN DE NUESTRO PADRE?"

"OLIVER, REALMENTE..."

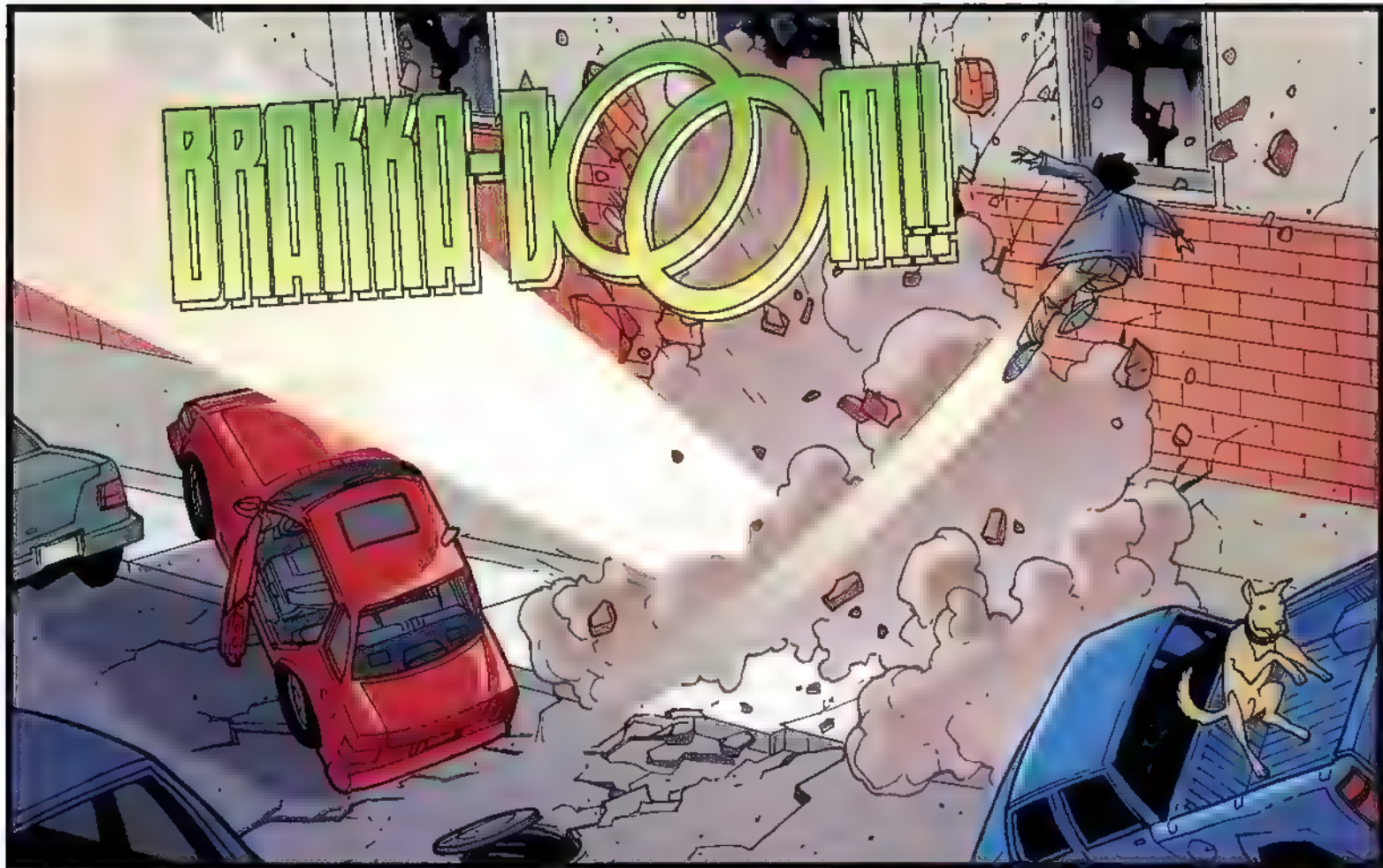
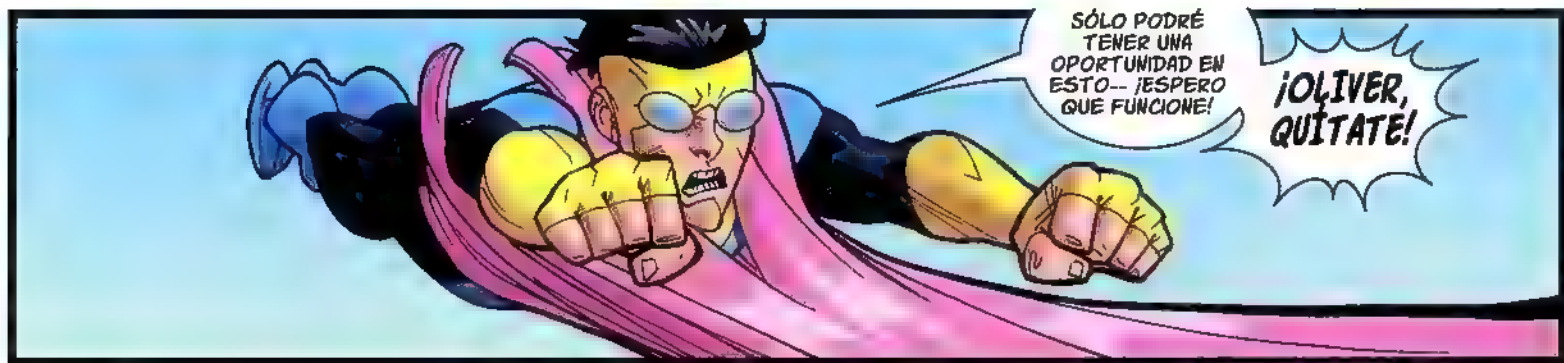
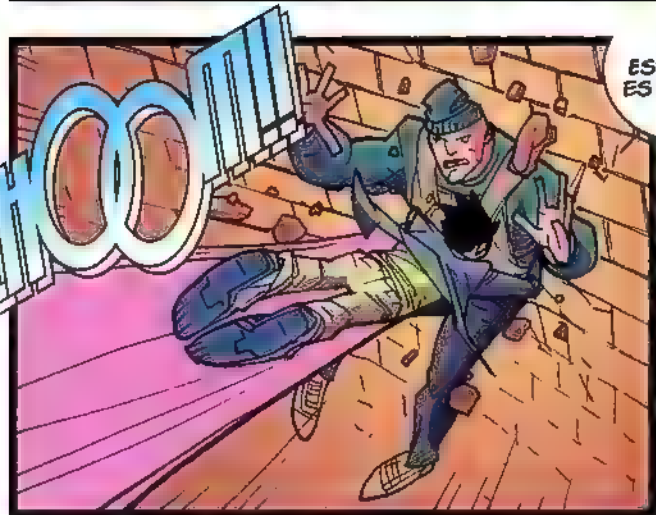
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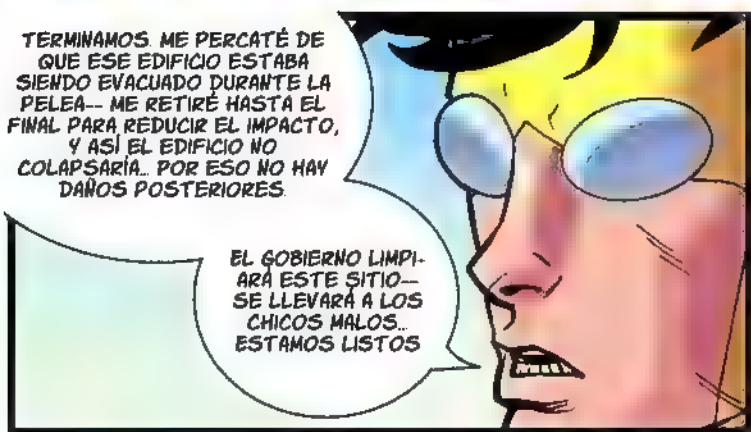
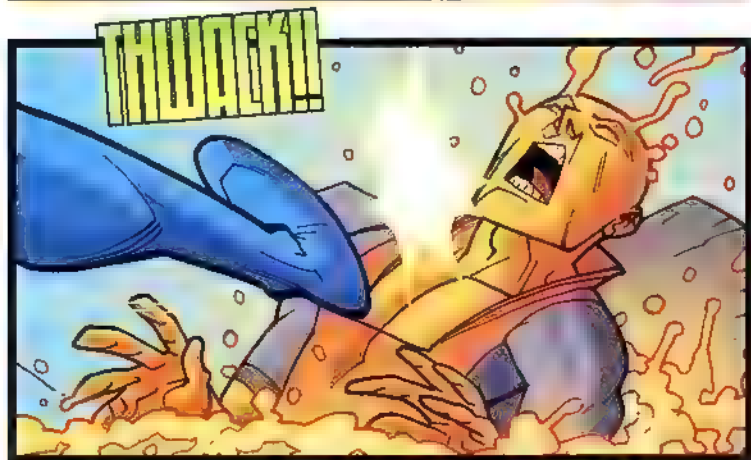
"ME LLAMAN-- HABLAREMOS DE ESTO LUEGO"











EL PENTÁGONO

UNITED STATES
PENTAGON

BUENO, JOVEN, FELICITACIONES.
ESTO HA SERVIDO MUCHO MEJOR
DE LO HABRÍA PREDICHO, Y ESO
QUE ESTABA BASTANTE OPTIMISTA

GRACIAS, SEÑOR,
ESTOY ALEGRE
POR AYUDAR.

SEÑOR, LAMENTO MUCHO
INTERRUMPIR, PERO PENSÉ
QUE USTEDES QUERRÍAN
VER ESTO YA MISMO

¿QUÉ ES
ESO?

HMM, LAHORA EL NIÑO
TAMBIÉN TIENE PODERES?
MÁS RÁPIDO DE LO QUE
CREÍA, PERO NO ESTOY
SORPRENDIDO... TODO ES
ACELERADO EN ESE NIÑO.

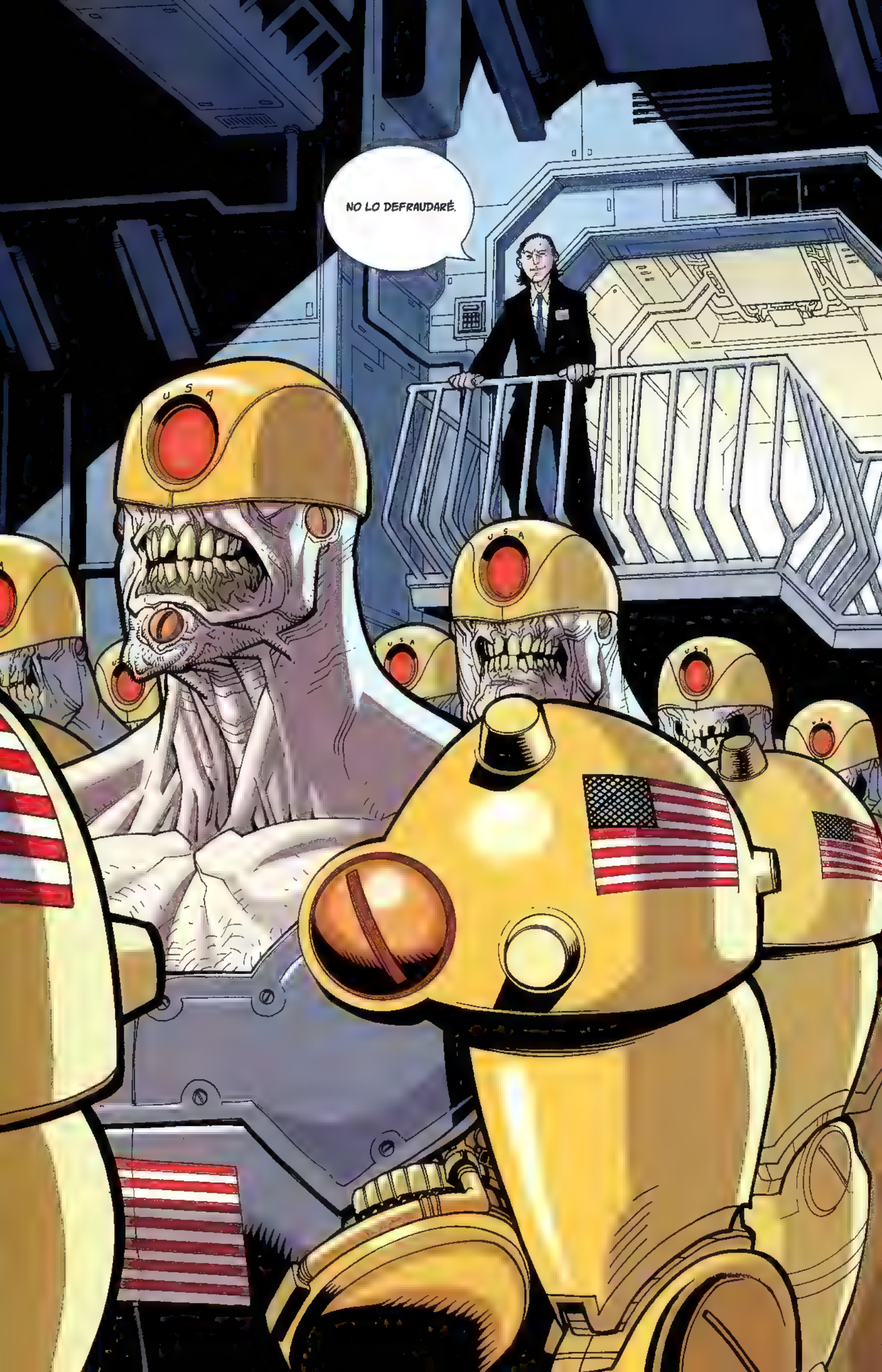
QUÉ PROBLEMÁTICO
QUE ABRIL NO ME
HAYA INFORMADO
ACERCA DE ESTO...
ESPECIALMENTE, SI
FUE PORQUE ELLA
NO LO SABÍA.

LO LAMENTO MUCHO, DA
PERO VOY A TENER QUE
ENCARGARME DE ESTO

SIGUE CON
TU BUEN
TRABAJO

OH, LO
HARÉ,
SEÑOR

NO LO DEFRAUDARÉ.



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INVINCIBLE

Okay, we're trying to make up a little lost time on the way to issue 50—so hopefully this issue got to you pretty close behind issue 46. We're shooting for a three week schedule for a while. We'll see if we can pull that off—we'll be working our tails off—that's for sure.

Speaking of which, I've got to get back to work so let's just dive right in and get some mail answered!

Oh, wait! I should mention we've got a new Invincible T-Shirt and Poster available in stores around the same time as this issue—so be on the lookout. We should have an ad for them in THIS issue.

Now, on to the mail.

Ye Gods!

Numbers? Numbers it is.

1) It's always good to see Allen the Alien, and it was great to see him get the better of the Viltrumites in #45. It's also fun to see him outsmarting the mustachioed fascists. Ottley did a great job of his smug "I'm faking it" expression too.

I'll pass along the compliments.

2) So are we going to get an Allen And Nolan in Space Shawshank story arc coming up?

Am I that transparent? I deleted the scene where Allen ordered the pin-up model poster...

3) Oliver's arc is really fascinating right now, and I can't wait to find out where that particular plot thread goes. I've got this awful feeling that it's not going to end well though, and we'll end up with brother fighting brother. Or maybe I've read too many X-Men comics.

I think everyone has read too many X-Men comics.

4) Was Ottley doing anything different with his inking this issue? I thought it seemed a bit more ragged (in a good way) and detailed in this issue, but I might be making it up. Still, the comic looked great as ever; I'm surprised Marvel or DC haven't given him vast amounts of money to draw something yet. Whatever you're blackmailing him with, it must be good stuff; keep it up!

I think I'm blackmailing him with a fair page rate and royalty deal that Marvel and DC can't match. As far as I know, Ryan is very happy on this book. He's also getting better with every single issue—which doesn't seem possible but still somehow happens... so that might be what you're seeing in the inking.

5) Were there only two Viltrumites on that whole ship? And is it just me or did One Eye there make it sound as if the Viltrumite Empire might be in a bit of trouble?

Only time will tell.

6) The Viltrumite Lady; is she Mark's sister? (I know, too many X-Men comics again).

Anissa is NOT Mark's sister.

7) That's it. Great stuff as usual, Kirkman. Give your creative team a high five, or extra Skittles, or however you reward them for a job well done.

Reese's Pieces.

Cheers!
- kelvin green

Cheers right back at you!

Dear Captain Kirkman,

This issue wasn't so bad or anything. I really don't know the name of the big pink one-eyed guy... I'm thinking he's a Martian or something... nor have you even said more than once what the female Viltrumite from these last few issues is called! I've heard you say that you don't know why you have to go on and on about people's names, okay? But this is a stand-alone title! It's not like Viltrumite woman has been around for 40-60 years and we know her name from various other mags. I guess I just want something new from this book, ya know? Even the Guardians of the Globe (I THINK they're called that) haven't been around much recently, and Atom Eve skipped this issue, too. Can you imagine an issue of Ultimate Spider-Man without Mary Jane?

There have been plenty of issues without Mary Jane. Also, I think it may just be you. You are the only person who has ever written in not knowing Allen's name. Also, the Guardian's of the Globe are constantly named and mentioned. I think you just don't pay enough attention to the comics you read. That said, I should have mentioned Anissa's name more than I did... live and learn.

On the flip side, I noticed this ish what a fine job Ryan Ottley has been doing lately...or at least in this issue. And you started getting people's hair right, too! The cast-members who have black hair--seemingly all of them do--now have the shiny gray lines in their hair, like Superman, etc. I don't think really that my support of this series wavers...just the quality of individual issues, which is a lot Like Ultimate Spider-Man. I think you can only read the same writer and artist on one book for so long before things start getting a little tired, ya know? Mark Bagley has moved on from US-M, after all. By the way the old guy with the beard--totally wrong for Debbie Grayson! He even look's boring. Does she know Cecil? You know, the government guy?

Sincerely,
Andrew J. Shaw

See, you remember Cecil's name—good job! I should also mention that you're probably alone on the same creators on the same book thing, too. I don't know of a lot of people wanting Ryan or me to move on just yet.

Mr. Kirkman,

What can I say that hasn't already been said? Since its beginning, Invincible has graced readers with a vast array of inspired characters, a sophisticated, epic and emotional story line that is supported by a tremendous number of intriguing sub-plots and a hell of a lot of action! One can never have enough action! I say all this and I only just discovered Invincible. I've been enjoying your work on Ultimate X-Men for some time now, in particular everything you've been doing with my favorite character — Jean (probably why I love Atom Eve so much) that I decided to branch out and read some of your other works. Invincible is what stuck out the most and the bookstore, in particular the impressive "Complete Invincible Library Volume 1" Slipcase. I purchased the "library" immediately and was not disappointed, I'm sure I made that perfectly clear in the beginning of this letter! What I would like to know is if the response to the "Library" was positive enough to convince those higher ups of publishing a second slipcase, I would love to have a second volume placed right up next to the first. As long as my bookcase doesn't collapse that is!

Thank you, for such an incredible comic book; you're an inspiration to all budding writers.

-Thomas Saras

Yes, the Complete Invincible Library Volume 1 did quite well for us here at Invincible Central. So there will be a second volume collecting 25-47 coming out at some point in the future. It will probably be a while though—maybe not until 2009.

Dear Mr. Kirkman,

I just finished the third hardcover of Invincible and am now officially all caught up on the series, and I just wanted to let you and Mr. Ottley know that it is easily my favorite comic hitting the stands right now. As long as you guys keep up this level of quality, I'll probably buy it for the rest of my days and spread the word every

chance I get. That being said, I do have several questions regarding the book.

First, will we ever see what happened to the Mark Grayson that the Guardians of the Globe found before they went back in time? The way Eve talked about him indicated that he was obviously alive when they found him.

I think I'll leave that thread open for when someone else takes over the writing on the book after issue 200 or so. It'll be fun to have someone else digging up old plot threads and introducing crappy things like "evil doppelgangers" into the book. Or hell, maybe I'll be doing that kind of nonsense before we reach issue 200.

Second, that female Viltrumite, that's got to be Mark's half-sister, right? They look too much alike for you to not play that card. Nolan, being as old as he is, must have at least dozens of kids besides Mark and Oliver.

Definitely NOT Mark's sister. I promise.

Finally, what gives with the hardcover delays? This is the third one that's been delayed for months and months. All of the material's in the bank, so shouldn't it just be a matter of re-printing everything and throwing in some extras in the back? Heck, by now you almost have enough issues for a forth one. Any idea when that will see the light of day?

Stay classy!
Kyle

You'd think, right? Those hardcovers are hard to put together because we have to dig up all kinds of other material and stuff... and they take a while to print... and well, we suck. But really... look at those similarly styled POWERS hardcovers. The first one was delayed a YEAR and the second one... still isn't out. They're tough books to put together.

Greetings, I send a letter earlier but forgot to ask one question:

In issue #3, Nolan seems to hint that we haven't seen all of Mark's powers yet while they're eating hot dogs. When will we see this followed up?

Thanks!
Kyle W. Peterson

Nolan wasn't referring to NEW powers as much as he was saying that Mark's powers would be increasing as he got older. Which is something we've seen since issue 3.

At the ambassador's reception,

'ah Kirkman, with this speedy shipping of Invincible and the Walking Dead you are spoiling us!'

I'll be sure to go back in time and make sure issue 46 ships pretty late to make up for this. There. Done.

Keep up the good work dude. You rock.

Sincerely
Sandeep Burman-Roy

P.S. 'I think I miss my wife!' you had me cracking up with that one – excellent work! Kudos to Mr Ottley for displaying Nolan's emotions perfectly!

Ryan is a super talented dude, that's for sure.

Hello Mr. Kirkman,

I just recently finished the third Hardcover of Invincible and first things first I must congratulate you on more excellent storytelling. Whenever I try to sell someone on the comic I tell them that this is the Spider-man of our generation and I genuinely believe that.

I did notice though in issue 27 Eve appears to help in the massive battle back on earth. However later on it implies she never left Africa. Is there 2 Eve's?! Or am I merely missing something dreadfully simple (the more likely option)

Thanks for reading! I'm a writer myself and hearing of your success when you started with little or nothing gives me drive to push on.

-Glenn Matchett

There's only one Eve. She was only referring to the fact that she's not been a practicing superhero regularly. She did come out of retirement to help fight Omnipotus—since the world was going to be destroyed and all.

Dear Robert,

In regard to the advertising cover of issue #42, I thought it was clever. The re-cap, brilliantly written by the way, allowed me to start into the story and I now have the leisure of picking up the trades at my convenience after spending the last year trying to get caught up on The Walking Dead. I think most who picked up the book, like me, will continue to read it due to the convoluted reads out in Marvel/DC world.

Glad we hooked you. Dave Campbell did indeed do a bang-up job writing that recap for us in the back of 42. Glad you liked it.

So to all who poo-poo'd the ad. Poo Poo on them. I am enjoying Invincible and was glad to have come across it, as this book and TWD, are the best books since Greg Land's Sojourn, which did not deserve the fate it received. By the way, Daryl, at Collector's Corner, in the Burlington Mall, S. Jersey, highly recommends all of your books to his readers. My father had a saying 'if the trucker's are eating there, it must be good'. Thanks to the comic shop owners for pushing this book. Keep up the good work and looking forward to issue #50.

Warm Regards,
Martin Blazy

Tell Daryl that we really appreciate the support.

Dear Kirkman,

I am one of those foolish people that passed on Invincible #1. What a mistake. A friend of mine recently talked me into reading his trades of the series. I was immediately hooked. Over the past few weeks I have read the whole series (I tried to make it last as long as I could). The writing is great, and the art is fantastic! I now find myself doing something I have never done before. I am leaving comics from the big two on the shelf so I can pick up back issues of Invincible. I am 32 years old. I started reading comics when I was 7. This is the first time in a long time that I have been this excited about a series. I bought the statue. It is beautiful. I don't usually drop that kind of money (I have a mortgage and baby), but with no action figures available I had to have it. I just got the hardcover vol 1, and am planning on getting the other 2 for Christmas. I will not miss another issue. Enough fan boy gushing. Now for the questions:

1) Are there plans to go into the Immortals back story? I think he is an extremely interesting character.

At some point, yes. I desperately want to tell more stories with Immortal.

2) Any plans for another cross over with Marvel?

Not at the moment but who knows what the future holds.

3) When will we see the Wolfman and Invincible together?

Hmm... very soon, actually, but it won't be happening in either INVINCIBLE or THE ASTOUNDING WOLF-MAN... that's a mystery, eh?

Good luck in the coming year. I hope this series lasts forever. I hope you write it as long as possible, but I don't want it to end if you stop writing it. I want it to live on. To me that's what makes characters great.

Joshua McNabb

Well, I've got no plans to stop writing or end the series any time soon—but I too would like to see it continue past me quitting the book... I think that'd be neat.

That's all for this month, kiddos! We'll see you back here as soon as humanly possible.

Oh, and before I go—I want to introducing this month's pin-up artist... colorist extraordinaire MORRY HOLLOWELL, who y'know, colored MARVEL CIVIL WAR and countless other goodies for Marvel Comics.

Morry did this pin-up, well... a few years ago. It did take him a while to finish but when he was done... he gave it to me on a CD instead of emailing the file to me. Me being the responsible person I am... lost the CD and forgot about the pin-up, until recently. So embarrassing. Morry, you should have written me! Anyway, sorry for the delay, and if there are any other people out there who have given me pin-ups that haven't seen print—please contact me and let me know.

See you back here very soon.

-Robert Kirkman



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